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RE: Request for Assistance to Utilize the Cartier Drill Hall

Dear Minister Blair and Minister Mendicino:

The Ottawa Police Service is preparing to respond to the Freedom Rally demonstrations that are expected to be conducted in Ottawa over two days — Saturday, January 29, 2022 and Sunday, January 30, 2022.

To this end, the Ottawa Police Service is requesting to utilize the Cartier Drill Hall parking lot located at 2 Queen Elizabeth Driveway in Ottawa. The space would be utilized to stage the service's public order units during the Freedom Rally demonstration. It is anticipated that the space will be required for two days — Saturday, January 29, 2022 and Sunday, January 30, 2022. Ongoing needs for operational support will be reassessed by the Ottawa Police Service as operations are carried out, and requests for further support will be conveyed, accordingly.

Ontario appreciates the support provided by the federal government for this effort which is being conducted in the interests of public safety.

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Sincerely,

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